

WEATHER.

(U. S. Weather Bureau Forecast.)
Fair tonight and tomorrow; slightly warmer tonight; lowest temperature about 48; gentle east shifting to south-east or south winds. Temperature today—Highest, 66, at 2 p.m.; lowest, 44, at 7:15 a.m. Full report on page A-2.

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THREE CENTS.

'Axis' Is Ready To Freeze New Czech Borders

Poland and Hungary
Nourish Hopes for
Common Frontier

BACK GROUND—

At end of war Hungarian territory was given to Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Rumania, under Trianon peace treaty. First breach in treaty made in dismemberment of Czechoslovakia, which gave Germany, Poland and Hungary parts of the "mosaic" republic. Germany has already indicated complete revision of Trianon treaty is her aim.

By the Associated Press.

VIENNA, Nov. 3.—Foreign Ministers Joachim von Ribbentrop of Germany and Count Galeazzo Ciano of Italy, it was learned on good authority today, have assured the Czechoslovak foreign minister that Germany and Italy were ready to guarantee Czechoslovakia's new frontiers.

Frantisek Chvalkovsky, the Czechoslovak minister, left for Prague today after the one-day conference, in which Hungary was given an estimated 4,875 square miles of Czechoslovak territory.

Msgr. Augustine Volisin, Premier of autonomous Ruthenia, remained here with his delegation to draw up reconstruction plans for what remains of Ruthenia.

Hope for Common Border.
In the absence of formal Italian-German steps to "freeze" Czechoslovakia's frontier borders, Hungarians and Poles said they still hoped more Ruthenian territory would eventually fall to Hungary, thus giving Poland and Hungary the common border line they desire.

Ruthenia, the eastern tip of Czechoslovakia, was forced by the Italian-German mediation award to cede its capital, Uzhorod, and its principal railway lines, to Hungary.

Between 100,000 and 150,000 Ruthenians again will become Hungarians under the award, leaving about 500,000 in the Czechoslovak-Ruthenian states.

The Ruthenian delegation last night protested the decision, asserting it did not conform to ethnographical principles proclaimed at the four-power Munich conference September 29.

Aid Asked in U. S.
Five fraternal Ukrainian (Ruthenian) organizations cabled United States organizations in the United States, with headquarters in New York, asking for funds to assist the homeland. The message was sent through Dr. Luke Myshyna of Jersey City, who came here with a Ruthenian delegation to add Americans' voice to the defense of the new state.

There are 1,500,000 Ukrainians in the United States, 350,000 in Canada, 300,000 in Brazil and 100,000 in Argentina.

A representative of the Ruthenian delegation said the government would seek capital wherever it could find it to build a railway line from Eperjes (Pressova) to Huszt (Huszt). Huszt was chosen as the new Ruthenian capital to replace lost Uzhorod.

This line would connect Eperjes with the Prague-Eperjes line and be the connecting link between Prague and Eperjes.

Yugoslavs Await Revision.
Yugoslavia expects to be next in the revision of Eastern European boundaries under the sponsorship of Germany and Italy. Yugoslav observers of the arbitration proceedings by which Hungary gained most of the territory she wanted from Czechoslovakia pictured Germany and Italy in new roles as guardians of all Europe east of the Rhine.

They feared the two Fascist countries would revise the Munich pact.

Mrs. Roosevelt Flies
To Seattle for Visit

By the Associated Press.
SEATTLE, Nov. 3.—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President, arrived here early today by plane to visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Böttiger, and her grandchildren, Eleanor and Curtis.

En route to Spokane late last night the plane flew through the first snow flurries of the season which delayed its arrival in that city by 30 minutes.

Mrs. Roosevelt, after spending a few days here, will go to California to visit her son, James. She plans to be at home in Hyde Park, N. Y., by election day.

Coolidge Foundation Concert on WMAL

A portion of the second of the Library of Congress Chamber Music Concerts will be broadcast over Station WMAL tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

The Kolisch Quartet will play the "Quartet in F Major," Opus 18, No. 1, by Beethoven.

The concerts are sponsored by the Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge Foundation in the Library of Congress, and the broadcasts have been arranged through the co-operation of The Star and the National Broadcasting Co.

Announcements of future concerts and broadcasts will be printed in The Star.

\$12,000,000 Food Found Need Of Loyalist Spain's Refugees

League Experts Report Prompt Help
Is Required to Save 2,000,000

By EDGAR ANSELL MOWBRER,
Chicago Daily News Foreign Correspondent.

PARIS, Nov. 3.—At least \$12,000,000 worth of food promptly delivered to Republican Spain would save the health, and conceivably the lives, of nearly 2,000,000 refugees, mostly women and children, menaced by famine. This is the conclusion of two League of Nations experts, Bray and Webster, who, at the request of the Spanish government made a trip to Spain and reported.

Conditions among "evacuated" persons, meaning those who left their homes of their own accord, are not so bad, they found. Among refugees, meaning those who fled before the Loyalist troops of rebel Generalissimo Francisco Franco, conditions have already sunk below the health line.

But \$12,000,000 worth of food, well distributed, would save the situation until next May. The American Government has already offered to send a certain amount of flour taken from the American wheat surplus. The French authorities apparently are negotiating for sending a certain amount of French wheat.

Quarter of Need for Wheat.
But, according to the league experts, only one-quarter of the need is for wheat; the rest is for milk, beans, sugar and other products which must be paid for in cash.

It is an open question whether President Roosevelt, who gives the impression in Europe of playing a brilliant second to British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain on Spanish matters and, alone among democrats, of taking the non-intervention force as anything but a plot to save Gen. Franco, will go further in efforts to assist that fellow democrat.

Therefore, Spanish republican leaders are counting on the possibility of a semi-famine before next spring—and have not the slightest intention of yielding to it. The Spanish republicans, Premier Dr.

Letter Demanding That W.P.A. Workers Attend Rally Hit

Keystone Official's
Action Indefensible,
Sheppard Says

By the Associated Press.

The Senate Campaign Expenditures Committee today termed "indefensible" a phrase in a Democratic campaign letter which warned W. P. A. workers that "no excuse will be accepted" for their failure to attend a political rally held in Norristown, Pa., October 29.

The committee said it had been unable to determine how many Federal W. P. A. workers were among the 2,500 persons who attended the meeting as a result of the letter, signed by Joseph F. McElwhee.

The letter said the meeting was being held "at the direction" of Senator Guffey, Democrat of Pennsylvania, and David L. Lawrence, State Democratic Committee chairman.

Mr. McElwhee is a member of the Pennsylvania State Compensation Board and a local official of the Democratic party.

McElwhee's Letter.
Mr. McElwhee later denied, in an affidavit obtained by the Senate committee's investigators, that Senator Guffey or Mr. Lawrence had any knowledge of the letter, which read as follows:

"Fellow Democrat—
At the direction of Senator Guffey and Mr. Lawrence, a joint meeting of all State, Federal and W. P. A. workers will be held at the City Hall in Norristown on Saturday morning, October 29, 1938, at 10 o'clock promptly.

"There will be no excuse accepted for lack of attendance.

"This meeting will be addressed by Mr. Bashore and Mr. Lawrence."

Committee investigators who attended said the meeting was addressed only by Ralph M. Bashore, State Secretary of Labor and Industry and Secretary of the State Democratic Committee. The investigators said no requests for campaign contributions were made at the meeting.

Sheppard's Statement.
"While it is the opinion of the committee that no objection can be made to invitations of a general nature inviting State and Federal Government workers to a political meeting," Chairman Sheppard said in a formal statement, "the committee is of the opinion that the phrase 'There will be no excuse accepted for lack of attendance,' addressed to W. P. A. workers on relief is indefensible and that the nature of an implied threat and a grave interference with the right of relief workers to be free from coercion in the exercise of their political rights."

The committee said Mr. McElwhee declared the letter had been sent only to State employees despite the fact W. P. A. workers were specifically addressed in it.

Reviewing its investigation of two Democratic campaign fund solicitors (See PROBE, Page A-10).

Diggers Fail to Find Clue to Shakespeare

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, Nov. 3.—Excavations in ancient tombs of Westminster Abbey failed today to uncover parchments by which scholars hoped to determine the authorship of Shakespeare's works.

Workers were said to have struck a lead coffin and the bones of one of Great Britain's illustrious poets, but uncertainty developed whether the tomb was that of the poet Michael Drayton, who died in 1630, or that of Edmund Spenser, in which researchers expect to find handwritten elegies for comparison with known specimens, thereby settling the controversy whether Sir Francis Bacon wrote the dramas attributed to Shakespeare.

Ban on Parking All Night Is Hit By Hazen

Commissioner Thinks
Theory Would Not
Work Out Well

Commissioner Melvin C. Hazen today turned thumbs down on the suggestion of Engineer Commissioner David McCoach, Jr., for a ban on all night parking of automobiles, holding that any blanket application of such a rule would be "impracticable and an unnecessary hardship."

Engaging in a friendly dispute with the new Engineer Commissioner, Mr. Hazen declared: "I agree that the theory is good, but there are many reasons why we cannot adopt such a plan, even over a period of several years."

"In the first place, we are making progress—slowly but surely—in the steady, gradual extension of parking restrictions, which is encouraging development of off-street parking facilities," he continued. "I believe this is the way to do it."

"But if we adopt a ban on overnight parking, even to be effective after a year or so, there would be an immediate rise in garage rents. That would hurt the poor man—unnecessarily so."

Too Many Cars for Space.

"Then again, there are many areas where there is not sufficient space to house all the thousands of cars parked in the streets. Where would the people put them?"

"And I want to say there are holes in the argument that all night parking prohibition would make any great dent in traffic hazards. Cars are parked on the streets all day as well as night, and most of our traffic moves in the daytime or evening hours. A ban might help but it wouldn't cure."

Commissioner Hazen also disagreed with the thought expressed by Col. McCoach that any person who could afford a car should be able to afford garage rent. "That's sort of hard on the little man," said Mr. Hazen.

Traffic Director William A. Van Duzer, who talked with Commissioner Hazen today, said overnight parking should be banned, but that it should not be put into effect until after formal notice of five years.

The question of how to provide more parking space downtown was debated both in and out of Congress and the District Building last night. Two bills were presented to the House District Committee for additional parking lot facilities. Former Commissioner George E. Allen sponsored a plan for District parking lots to permit all-day parking at 10 cents a day.

In former years bills were drafted to provide for huge Government garages to be built underground in Federal areas near Government buildings and the downtown business section.

Newspaper Executive Is Killed in Plunge

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—Victor Watson, 58, for many years an editor and executive in the Hearst newspaper organization, plunged to his death today from an eleventh-floor window of the Hotel Abbey, in West Fifty-first street.

Not found in the room, for which he had registered only a few minutes before under the name of George L. Jones of 643 N. Halstead street, Chicago, said: "God forgive me for everything."

Mr. Watson was widely known in the newspaper field, having held executive posts on Hearst newspapers in Chicago and Boston before coming to New York. Until two months ago he was managing editor of the New York Journal and American and recently had been in the promotion department of the Hearst general management.

The body, which landed on a third-floor extension, was identified by Dr. David L. Poe, Watson's personal physician, and Dr. Carlton Simon, a friend.



Spy Case Attorney Questions Turrou's Qualifications

Former U. S. Agent
Admits He Once
Worked in Store

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The qualifications of Leon G. Turrou, former Federal Bureau of Investigation agent who was in charge of the German spy investigation, today came under the fire of counsel for red-haired Johanna Hoffmann, one of three defendants on trial charged with espionage.

George C. Dix, attorney for Miss Hoffmann, who is accused of acting as a courier for German agents, asked Mr. Turrou:

"Were you once a ribbon clerk?" Mr. Turrou replied that he had worked for a time as a department store salesman.

Although Dr. Griebel (Dr. Ignatz T. Griebel, a fugitive defendant) had the key to the code messages seized in the possession of Miss Hoffmann and threatened to have her shot, yet you didn't arrest him?" asked Mr. Dix.

"No," Mr. Turrou replied.

Reported to Washington.

"Did Washington order you not to arrest Dr. Griebel?" Mr. Dix continued.

"Washington was in direct charge of this investigation, and we reported there daily by telephone," Mr. Turrou replied. "Dr. Griebel said he was going to tell the whole story. He recited a story which implicated high officials in the German government as well as Voss." Otto Hermann Voss, aviation mechanic, one of the three persons on trial.

Mr. Turrou resigned from the F. B. I. after the espionage indictments were returned.

He denied he was "trying to get publicity" for some newspaper articles he planned to write when he was arrested in the espionage case.

Greedy Burglars

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 3. (P)—Burglars who battered down two 200-pound steel doors to enter a drug store apparently weren't satisfied with the \$1,000 they found in a cash register. They also smashed a toy bank and took \$1 in tip money a waiter was saving.

Dr. Ballou to Broadcast

Dr. Frank W. Ballou, superintendent of schools, will speak over Station WJVS Monday at 5:45 p.m. in an address sponsored by the High School Teachers' Association. His topic will be "American Education."

Travel in D. C. Area Disrupted By Dense Fog

A dense fog that hung over the Capital and its environs threw all forms of transportation—river, air and land—off schedule today, but no mishaps were attributed to it.

Commercial planes on early north-bound runs passed up Washington Airport and headed for Newark. The fog later lifted enough to permit flying in and out of here.

The Norfolk boat, due in at 7 a.m., didn't dock until after 9 o'clock. Officials pointed out, however, that the fog on the Lower Potomac was even worse yesterday, holding up the boat's arrival until noon.

At Hampton Roads, according to an Associated Press dispatch from Norfolk, Va., shipping was almost at a standstill as the fog, described there as of unusual density, rolled in from the sea and blanketed the entire Chesapeake Bay area in a mist that at times reduced visibility to less than 50 feet.

The aircraft carrier Enterprise, en route to Hampton Roads from Boston, anchored off Chesapeake Light to await the lifting of the fog. The Norfolk-Portsmouth ferries were forced to operate on a 13-minute schedule instead of 8 minutes. Several freighters delayed their sailing and other vessels coming in from the sea anchored off the capes. Operations were not resumed on a normal scale until just before 10 a.m.

Automotive traffic moved slowly in some particularly low parts of the city, while in outlying sections bus travel also proceeded cautiously.

The forecaster expects the skies to clear by tonight and the temperature to stay at moderate levels, with an overnight "low" of about 48 degrees. Tomorrow also is expected to be fair.

The mercury climbed to 74 during the afternoon yesterday and this morning dropped only to 44 at 7 a.m.

Adamant Against Union, Mennin Plays Tonight

By the Associated Press.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 3.—Yehudi Mennin, without a union card, tonight plays in a concert with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra that promises to widen the breach between the 21-year-old virtuoso and the American Guild of Musical Artists.

Adamant in his refusal to join the guild because, he said, it was "dangerous for a person to forfeit his freedom and turn it over to a group," young Mennin nevertheless was applauded warmly when he rehearsed with A. F. of L. union musicians of the orchestra.

A spokesman for A. F. of L. affiliated A. C. M. A. said it Mennin fulfilled his \$3,000 engagement at concerts tonight and tomorrow afternoon, the guild would consider its contract breached with the Southern California Symphony Association.

Mennin, a Leland Atherton Irish, today manager, said the contract, exempting certain non-member artists, included Mennin.

To save the public from being "victimized by this situation," guild officials said no action would be decided on until after Mennin had played here.

Shell Strikes U. S. Embassy In Madrid

By the Associated Press.

MADRID, Nov. 3.—A shell struck the unoccupied American Embassy building and burst in the Ambassador's rooms today in an insurgent artillery bombardment of Madrid.

The projectile tore a big hole in the front part of the building. The Ambassador's office and adjoining bedroom were damaged.

These rooms had not been used since Ambassador Claude G. Bowers established his headquarters at Hendaye, France, August 16, 1936. Later he moved to St. Jean-de-Luz, France.

Police reported that 15 persons were killed and 34 injured by the 204 shells which landed in Madrid. Seven were killed when a shell burst in the International Red Aid building, where a solidarity congress was in session.

Mme. Agnes Dumay, French delegate to the congress, was among those killed.

Slot Operator Quits And Threatens to Clean Up County

Garrison, Once Sheriff,
Says He Will Drive
Machines to Cover

By the Associated Press.

Thomas H. Garrison, who has been in public or private law enforcement work in Prince Georges County, Md., for 40 years, today retired from the slot machine business, which has been placed under court ban, and announced his intention of driving every other slot machine operator out of business within 48 hours, with aid of the law.

Collecting 42 machines for which he was agent and piling them dramatically in the basement of his home, the former county sheriff and town officer—now head of his own private detective agency—asserted he would swear out warrants for every operator in the county who has failed to remove his machines by noon today.

As he spoke, nickels and dimes continued to clink into scores of machines, and a photographer who sought to photograph one in Bladensburg was arrested for "disturbing the peace," but later released.

The picturesque ex-sheriff simultaneously unleashed a storm of wrath against the whole slot machine business, which he termed a "racket of the most vicious kind, demoralizing to children and tending to breed crime."

Bowie Ordered Removal.
A Circuit Court judge at Upper Marlboro several months ago termed Prince Georges County the "likely place for gamblers and racketeers to come," now that Washington has tightened up on its gaming laws.

Later the Maryland Court of Appeals ruled slot machines illegal and two weeks ago the grand jury demanded removal of all machines in the county. State's Attorney Allan Bowie ordered the removal to begin by midnight of last Monday, but, although police have received the formal orders, apparently not a single machine has been disturbed—except for Mr. Garrison's self-imposed one-man "raid."

One explanation offered by police for their failure to enforce the mandates of the grand jury and the State's attorney is that they have not seen any machines in operation.

County Police Supt. Arthur W. Heppburn today declared he cannot (See SLOT MACHINES, Page A-10).

Missing Heir, 20, Found Working in Richmond

By the Associated Press.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 3.—Detective Capt. A. S. Wright said today that Sydney E. Martin, Jr., missing 20-year-old son of a wealthy Philadelphia family, had been found in Richmond working for an electrical contractor.

The detective said he learned only today that the boy, for whom the Philadelphia family had expressed grave concern, was boarding at the home of a "Mrs. Otos," in Northside Richmond, and was working in a night shop.

He said he had not determined how long Martin had been in Richmond.

Martin, son of a prominent Philadelphia architect and clubman, apparently "vanished" from the Quaker City after a visit to a night club on September 15.

Reached by telephone at the electrical firm, young Martin said tersely:

"I have no statement to make." He declined further conversation and refused a request for a personal interview.

A few minutes later newsmen were told at the firm the boy "is not in."

Col. Batista Will Visit D. C. Armistice Day

By the Associated Press.

MIAMI, Fla., Nov. 3.—Col. Fulgencio Batista, Cuban Army leader and political "strong man," will be accompanied by 18 officials of the island republic when he flies to the United States November 9.

Pan-American Airways said a Clipper plane has been specially chartered to bring them from Havana to Miami. They will go to Washington to participate in Armistice Day exercises. Cuba was an ally of the United States in the World War.

Alley Authority Here to Take 90% Loan

Terms of U. S. H. A.
Agreed To, Draft
Indicates

By NELSON M. SHEPARD.

The contract for the District's \$10,614,000 initial housing program, it was understood today, will conform to the principle of subsidized rentals and financing laid down in the 58 contracts which the United States Housing Authority and President Roosevelt already have approved in 52 other cities.

This was interpreted as meaning that the Alley Dwelling Authority has capitulated to the demands of the U. S. H. A. and is prepared to accept a 90 per cent loan instead of a 100 per cent loan as first proposed by Chairman Melvin C. Hazen and Executive Officer John Ihlder.

The houses which are to be built here under the program are expected to be reserved for tenants in the lowest self-supporting income groups, generally those with incomes ranging from \$500 to \$1,100 or perhaps \$1,200. Rentals will be provided, by means of subsidies, within the range of about \$4.50 per room a month to about \$6. This would undoubtedly be below the standard in New York City and well above the rentals to be charged in the South and West.

10% to Cost D. C. \$1,064,000.
Administrator Nathan Straus returned from Detroit early today and found ready for him the final draft of the revised application submitted from the Alley Dwelling Authority. Neither he nor other officials at the U. S. H. A. were ready to divulge any official information regarding its proposals.

Mr. Straus was to study the draft this afternoon, and officials indicated the contract would be drawn up for submission to the President in a short time. The revised application was turned in last night.

In agreeing to contribute 10 per cent of the cost of the project, other cities engaged in the nationwide program are doing, the Alley Dwelling Authority was informed it was understood, that there was no other legal way in which the U. S. H. A. could sign a contract.

A 3 per cent contribution would have been a serious handicap, such a contribution but had made no appropriation to meet it. The payment, however, would not have to be made until the low-rent dwellings are practically completed, at least a year hence.

D. C. Cash Payment Minimized.
Should the A. D. A. contract conform to others approved under the United States Housing Act, as indications point, annual Federal subsidy for the purpose of keeping rentals at a low level would amount to 3½ per cent of the cost of the project. The balance of the cost government would be called upon to make would come chiefly in the form of tax exemption. It was believed the cash payment would involve very little.

The first indication that the A. D. A. and the U. S. H. A. had come to an agreement was given October 26, when Mr. Straus said he expected to forward a contract to the White House within "two or three weeks."

Since then he has given orders for his technical staff to devote as much time as possible to the A. D. A. program. The fact that he regarded it then as a "splendid program" was an indication that the terms were no longer raise legal objections as to the methods of financing or as to the scale of rentals.

Solution Dawned October 11.
The "break" in the long controversy that has ended the District's scenes and in public print between the two agencies came on October 11, it was learned authoritatively.

Mr. Ihlder had submitted a program calling for a 100 per cent loan and utilizing exempt taxes to cut down the rentals for one-fourth of the 1,620 tenants the A. D. A. proposed to house. Some of these, it was proposed, should be families on public relief. Other rentals ranged up to \$10.70 for families with incomes as high as \$1,654.

It was impossible for the U. S. H. A. to consider seriously any such proposal for families in this higher income group or the upper rent levels. Mr. Straus thereupon suggested a conference with Mr. Ihlder, feeling confident a common ground could be reached.

Princess Brings Amnesty

By the Associated Press.

ATHENS, Nov. 3.—An amnesty remitting all prison sentences of one year or less for ordinary criminal offenses was decreed today in celebration of the birth of a daughter yesterday to Prince Paul, heir presumptive to the Greek throne, and his consort, Princess Frederika. Four hundred deported persons were given permission to return.

Three Patients Use One Eye Of Utah Killer

By the Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 3.—A cornea from an eye of John Derring, executed Utah slayer, may bring sight to a 4-year-old Stockton boy, a 25-year-old man and a 65-year-old woman.